

SEES NARCOTIC EVIL WIPED OUT BY FALL

Commissioner Copeland Confident Even Though Hylan Refuses to Help.

HE ADDRESSES DOCTORS

Says Dosage Must Be Prescribed if City Refuses to Establish Hospital.

"I may not be in office twenty-four hours more; but whether it is twenty-four hours or six months, I expect to see drug addiction in this city ended before the first frost."

Thus hopefully Health Commissioner Copeland addressed a meeting of forty doctors in the Broadway Central Hotel yesterday. The physicians were members of the Medical Association for the Study of Drug Addiction.

Dr. Copeland made it plain that the Hylan administration was not cooperating with him in his fight against the drug traffic to the extent he would care to have it. He declined to reporters, however, that much as he is disappointed to insist that the Mayor accept his resignation, he was loath to quit office when his department had just launched into the crusade against the dope habit.

"If the city will not give us a hospital for the treatment of addicts," he told the physicians, "you doctors will have to seek the city's permission to prescribe the maximum dosage, even after your addict has finished the tapering off course permitted by law. I have consulted Federal authorities upon this subject and this is their opinion."

May Establish a Hospital.

One of the physicians attending the meeting interrupted the Commissioner. "A number of my patients," the physician announced, "have sought cure and when they apply at hospitals the authorities refuse to receive them. They must be committed by a Magistrate."

"It is just because of that," Commissioner Copeland replied, "that I want the hospital buildings offered to the city by the Rockefeller Foundation. That's why I was so anxious to establish a drug addicts hospital on Warwick Farm."

"I am causing a survey of Health Department property to be made. Maybe I shall find some place to establish a hospital. To-day I called up the Metropolitan City Hospital and asked for some beds for addicts who need immediate hospital attention. I was told that I could have three beds no more. I called up Bellevue and asked for twenty-six beds. That's the situation."

"Charles Commissioner Cole says that the treatment of these addicts is not within the jurisdiction of the Health Department. I want to see the Health Department can have them. But I'll die in my tracks rather than permit these unfortunate to be taken in charge by the Commissioner of Corrections and thus see them classified as criminals. They are sick people and must be treated as such."

"Before I decided to take up the study of the drug addict," Dr. Copeland resumed, "my ignorance of the subject was as profound as Mr. Cole's and God knows that is dense. The Warwick Farm hospital was to have been a convalescent retreat as well as a hospital."

Warns His Transducers.

"Naturally there are persons who oppose the Health Department's program concerning the treatment of drug addicts. Some people have gone so far as to say that I have financial interest in some patented drug cure. He who says that lies. I shall drag the next man who says that into court and make him prove it if he can."

Previous to addressing the doctors, the Commissioner said: "I have given considerable thought to Commissioner Cole's and the Controller's question of my legal authority. Meantime my department is going on caring for the addicts. If the Corporation Counsel decides that I am exceeding my legal boundaries the whole problem will be subject to review."

About 3,500 drug addicts have registered in the Prince street office of the State Bureau of Narcotic Drug Control. Only 100 registered yesterday. The usual lineup of addicts in front of the Worth street dispensary applied despite the rain. Police have been detailed to keep the crowds of inquisitive away from the addicts.

FAIL TO END RAIL STRIKE.

Men Refuse Conditional Agreement for Connecticut Line.

NORWICH, Conn., July 21.—An attempt to mediate to bring about a settlement of the strike which has tied up the Shore Line electric railway system failed this afternoon. The mediators named on Saturday at a conference under direction of the Connecticut Chamber of Commerce met to-day. Later it was stated that no result was obtained. Both sides had agreed to arbitration and the company attached to its agreement this provision. "That in event of an award of increased wages the increase should not become effective until the board of arbitrators could determine that the company was financially able to withstand the increase."

The strikers wanted an increase agreed upon retroactive to June 1. No cars were operated on the system to-day, the sixth day of the strike.

ASK MERCY OF FRANCE.

Berlin Protestants Plead Wrongs to Huguenots Be Righted.

PARIS, July 21.—A letter addressed to President Poincaré by the Protestant community of Berlin asking "democratic France to right its wrongs toward the Huguenots driven from France in 1685 by sparing their benefactors, the Hohenzollerns," is published to-day by the Temps in a Berlin dispatch.

This repatriation, the letter says, would be a way in which France might "testify her gratitude for the protection accorded to twenty thousand French Huguenots who were sheltered by the electorate of Brandenburg."

WILSON ASKED TO EXPLAIN.

Resolution Seeks Light on Attack on Costa Rican Consul.

WASHINGTON, July 21.—President Wilson would be asked in a resolution introduced to-day by Senator Edge, Republican New Jersey, to inform the Senate whether Benjamin F. Chase, American Consul at San Jose, Costa Rica, or the consulate had been fired upon by Costa Ricans recently, as reported, and what protection was being extended to him and other Americans in that country. The resolution was referred to the Foreign Relations Committee.

Falling Weapon Shoots Cop.

Frederick, Thaford, 24, a special policeman employed by the New York Central Railway, accidentally shot himself in one leg yesterday in his home, 508 West 11th street, when his pistol fell from a shelf.

MARRIAGE GETS U. S. OFFICER IN TROUBLE

Secretary for Scotland Comes to Aid of Couple.

Special Correspondence to THE SUN.

LONDON, July 14.—The recent elopement of an eighteen-year-old Gloucester girl with a demobilized American officer, and a hasty Scottish marriage followed by the imprisonment of the bridegroom, had a happy sequel.

The bridegroom, Raymond Hiles, was sent to prison June 17 for two months for persuading two hotel porters to make a false declaration at the wedding that the couple had resided in Scotland for the necessary twenty-one days.

The Secretary for Scotland, who had received a memorial stating that Hiles committed the offense to save the girl's honor, gave permission for Hiles to be properly married, and the ceremony has just taken place in St. Andrew's Church. Immediately after the wedding the government of the prison brought joy to the bride and bridegroom by announcing that Hiles had been released.

SPANG ESTATE GOES TO NEW FOUNDATION

Widow of Pittsburg Merchant Gives From One to Five Millions to Poor.

The residuary estate, its value estimated variously at \$1,000,000 to \$5,000,000, of Mrs. Rosa Spang, who died in this city on June 22, is bequeathed for the establishment of a trust fund to be known as the "Rosa Spang Foundation" for the relief of poverty, distress and "unfortunate sufferings endured by worthy persons," according to the terms of her will, which was filed for probate yesterday in the Surrogate's Court by George W. Wickham, former Attorney-General of the United States.

Mrs. Spang was a resident of Pittsburg, Mo., and a native of Denmark. She was the widow of Charles H. Spang, a wealthy merchant of that city, and the principal beneficiary under his will. He left an estate valued at several millions of dollars. During her lifetime Mrs. Spang was active in philanthropic work of various kinds. The will was dated June 20, two days before the death of Mrs. Spang, and it appoints George W. Wickham, Henry Dwight Chapin and Col. Michael Friedman, head of B. Altman & Co., as executors.

Under the will they shall become directors of the foundation and have the power to select such other directors as they may deem necessary.

A bequest of \$10,000 a year is made to Mabel Spang Cron, who is described as being the only child of the deceased and a resident of Copenhagen, Denmark. Mrs. Cron is now sojourning temporarily at the San Remo Hotel, in this city. The sum of \$10,000 is bequeathed to Charles C. Lockwood, an attorney, which bequest, the will states, is given in consideration of professional services rendered by the executor of her husband's estate. Other specific bequests are \$15,000 to Mrs. Ella B. Hitchcock, widow of James Roosevelt Hitchcock of Croftmore, Helmar, N. J., and \$2,000 to Mary Cron, who is described as the maid of the decedent.

After making these bequests, the will provides that the residuary estate shall be used for the creation of an organization to be known as the Rosa Spang Foundation for the relief of poverty and distress, especially the caring for young children and babies who may be due to their abandonment by their parents, poverty of their parents or the death of their parents, and sent to orphanages or other institutions. The foundation is to provide for their education and upbringing.

Decedent leaves all her jewelry, which is said to be of great value, and her personal effects to be distributed by them among her personal friends as mementoes. According to the petition accompanying the will, the value of the estate is given as "more than \$25,000," but Caldwell, Wickham & Taft, attorneys at law, stated yesterday that the residue with which to start off the foundation will be somewhat more than \$1,000,000.

BERGER STILL SEEKS SEAT.

Congress Committee Near End of Hearings on Disloyalty Charges.

WASHINGTON, July 21.—Victor Berger's right to sit in the House as the Representative from the Fifth Wisconsin district after his conviction on charges of disloyalty was taken up to-day for final determination by a special elections committee, with his counsel, Henry P. Cochems of Milwaukee, again challenging the right of Congress to exclude him.

It would be without precedent for this House to keep him out," Mr. Cochems said. "You have no right to exclude him by a majority vote. He is entitled to a seat and could be expelled only by a two-thirds majority."

It is expected that Berger and a number of witnesses in his behalf will be heard next. He was at the hearing to-day.

JUDGE COMPLIMENTS COP.

Policeman Catches Negro Identified by Victim as Stabber.

Patrolman Frederick A. Opp was complimented by Magistrate Corrigan in the West Side court yesterday for arresting a negro in Central Park on suspicion that he was the man who had assaulted Joseph Rattaga, a city fireman, last Tuesday.

The negro was identified by Rattaga, who is in the Knickerbocker Hospital suffering from stab wounds received when he went to the assistance of a young woman the negro was annoying. Opp saw the man acting suspiciously while watching the woman and arrested him on suspicion of having stabbed Rattaga. The negro, who is Jesse Ingram, 21, 204 West 143d street, was held in \$2,500 for examination to-morrow.

JUDGE REPUDES WALLER.

Magistrate Miller Denies He Knows Alleged Reckless Driver.

Magistrate Miller, who is presiding over the Long Island City court, denied yesterday that he knew Frank R. Waller, 215 Fulton street, Brooklyn, who was arraigned Saturday before Secretary of State Hugu, charged with reckless driving. On a previous occasion, a policeman testified, Waller had said that he did not mind being arraigned, as he was acquainted with Magistrate Miller.

"If he made the statement he is alleged to have made, he is mistaken," said the Magistrate. "I can say that even if he did know me that fact would not be in his favor if he were arraigned before me and found guilty of the charges brought against him. I do not temporize with speed violators, as the records in my court will show."

Slayer Gets Life Term.

GREENFIELD, Mass., July 21.—Ellie Corbina, who on June 4 killed his brother-in-law, Robert Lawrence, with a baseball bat and was indicted for murder in the first degree, to-day pleaded guilty to murder in the second degree and was sentenced to State prison for life.

ERROR TO HEAD FOOD CLUBS, DAY ADMITS

Market Commissioner Denies, Though, That City Cooperation Was Promised.

GRILLED BY HIRSHFIELD

Planned to Benefit Public, Not to Make Money, Is Answer to Charges.

The Rev. Dr. Jonathan C. Day frankly owned up yesterday afternoon that it was "a tactical error" on his part to accept the presidency of the Plaza Community Club, a private cooperative association to buy and sell foodstuffs, at a time he held city job as Commissioner of Public Markets. He made this admission on the witness stand before David Hirschfeld, Commissioner of Accounts, at the latter's investigation into the charges preferred against him by William M. Bennett, ex-State Senator, representing the West Side Taxpayers' Association. He emphasized the fact that he became connected with the club and its proposed wholesale foodstuffs, through an honest effort to benefit the consuming public and never at any time pretended that the city was cooperating in the movement.

Then Dr. Day in a carefully prepared statement which he read into the record said there would be no record on the matter if the Commissioner of Accounts had given him a chance to explain at the time of Mr. Hirschfeld's original investigation and report to Mayor Hylan.

"I took exception," Dr. Day said, "to a report of an investigation into the affairs of the Plaza Community Club and the Mutual Finance and Exchange Market, Inc., by the Commissioner of Accounts without affording me as Commissioner of Public Markets an opportunity to explain various facts and circumstances which, without explanation, might be construed in an unfavorable light against me as a city official."

"The report further stated," Dr. Day said, "that I, as a city official, was prevented by the action of the Commissioner of Accounts from violating the law by the use of city property for private purposes. I took exception to that statement, and the evidence at this hearing clearly showed that I did not violate the law, and that there is no evidence that I ever intended to violate the law. Had I got an opportunity to testify at the previous hearing before the Commissioner of Accounts upon which his conclusions were based, I believe that the Commissioner of Accounts would not have made the statement that he did about my violating the law."

"The moment Dr. Day concluded, Mr. Hirschfeld said: 'That's practically a resume of your testimony.'"

"Of my testimony," asked the Commissioner of Accounts.

"Your defence," corrected the Commissioner of Accounts.

"I said nothing in my testimony about the tactical error," Dr. Day replied.

Mr. Hirschfeld then read into the record Dr. Day's letter to Mayor Hylan concerning Mr. Hirschfeld's first action, in which Dr. Day said:

"I want to emphasize the fact that the (Hirschfeld) has been brutal, insulting and as mean as a man could be in the conduct of the investigation from all reports that have come to me. Personally, I shall not, as I stated yesterday, have anything at all to do with the Commissioner of Accounts."

"I am putting in the letter," Mr. Hirschfeld said, "to show why you were not called."

"I was ready to be called," retorted Dr. Day.

"Well, we won't quarrel about it," said Mr. Hirschfeld.

Copies of the testimony will be furnished counsel within five days. Briefs will be filed five days after that. Then the Commissioner of Accounts will decide upon the evidence whether he thinks his fellow member of the Mayor's official family has offended or not.

WILLIAMS DENIES GAIN IN HOTEL SALE

Says He Received No Fee On United States Purchase of the Arlington.

WASHINGTON, July 21.—John Skelton Williams, Controller of the Currency, replying to-day before the Senate Banking Committee, considering his re-nomination, denied charges by Representative McAdoo (Penn.) that he had received a fee in connection with the purchase of the Arlington Hotel site in Washington for several million dollars. Such charges were made by the Controller to be "unfounded and scandalous."

Representative McAdoo was called on by Mr. Williams to make good his statements when the committee and Chairman McLean announced that the Pennsylvania Representative would testify. The Controller will resume his testimony when the committee adjourns again Wednesday, adjournment having been taken until then to permit consideration to-morrow of the bill of Senator Calder (New York) to abolish the office of Controller.

In answering the McAdoo charges Mr. Williams denied any connection with the Arlington deal except that he had suggested acquisition of the site to Mr. McAdoo, then Secretary of the Treasury, and had introduced a representative of the owners to the Secretary. He told the committee his brother-in-law, Lewis T. Williams of Richmond, Va., had been attorney for the owners since 1914.

Accusations of John P. Rogers, president, and Frank J. Hogan, director, of the Federal National Bank of Washington, that the Controller had discriminated against that institution were denied by Mr. Williams as "wholly untrue" and distorted.

The Controller declared he bore no malice toward the Federal National Bank and said that about a year ago he had arranged through his connection with the finances of the Railroad Administration to have the bank become a depository for five or six small railroads.

Mr. Williams told his "indignation" when he heard reports current in Washington that deposits of the Emergency Fleet Corporation could be obtained through the influence of the "Chatham-Phenix National Bank of New York. Such reports, he asserted, were the work of "enemies of the Administration" and an "infamous slander" upon Ralph Boline and other officials of the bank.

Fall Kills Porto Rican.

Public G. Camas, 35, a Porto Rican chief, fell from the window of his room on the fifth floor of 238 West Sixty-seventh street yesterday and was instantly killed.

SON TELLS HOW HIS FATHER WAS SLAIN

Joseph Correll, 16, Describes Raid of Mexican Bandits on Their Home.

HE HAD NARROW ESCAPE

Wife of Murder Victim Goes to Washington to See, President.

Mrs. Mary Correll, whose husband, John W. Correll, was murdered June 15 by Mexicans near Tampico and who herself was maltreated, returned to Washington last night after spending two days in New York. She hopes to see President Wilson, with whom she tried to obtain an appointment for last Wednesday.

Mrs. Correll went back to her old home in Ada, Okla., after her husband was killed. The National Association for the Protection of American Rights in Mexico brought her to New York with one of her ten children, Joseph, 16 years old, who was with his parents at the time of the bandit raid and had a narrow escape from death.

Gov. Robertson of Oklahoma recently wrote to President Wilson demanding intervention because of the Correll and other murders. Charles Frederick Fair, commander of Oklahoma troops in France, as having said at a mass meeting in Oklahoma: "It would not be war to clear up that hell in Mexico. The 80,000 troops of Oklahoma could clean it up in ninety days."

Mrs. Correll and her son Joe, who is youngest of the brood, were at the Hotel Pennsylvania yesterday. She has told her story often and acts as if she never wanted to tell it again unless it would do some good. They are ranch people and uneasy in the city. The boy stood beside his mother's chair, repeating the black story without trying for color of his own.

Tells of Attack.

They had a ranch near Ada, he said, and went to Mexico to better themselves. They waited seven months in Texas before migration across the border seemed safe. They went on a ranch at Colima, thirty-seven miles from Tampico. The ranch house had four rooms and was on the edge of a jungle. Father, mother and son had been installed two weeks when the bandits came. Joe was across the road crouching when the two leaders rode up. The chief, Joe heard from the Mexicans, spoke Spanish and German as well as Spanish. Whether he and his fifty-two followers were soldiers or not he could not tell from their dress or anything they said. Some of them went into the house, took his 30.30 rifle and six shells. They demanded more ammunition and at the muzzle of a gun marched him through all the rooms looking for it.

One of the Mexicans, when they got outside, stepped back ten paces and fired at Joe, who escaped by dodging into the doorway while the bullet went through the door, eighteen inches from him. Joe walked through the house to the back porch. There other Mexicans leveled their rifles and ordered him to carry out food and clothing, which he did. They packed the loot on their horses. One of the bandits ordered the boy to give up his leather cartridge belt. A revolver being pressed against his body.

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Mayor Hylan had nothing to add to the transit literature of the day, but Mr. Hedges favored him with a lesson in railway finance in denial of the Mayor's Saturday statement that the stockholders of the Eighth Avenue Railroad Company were earning something more than 26 per cent on their stock. He declared that such statements were put out either with a desire to keep the facts from the public or for some ulterior purpose the exact nature of which was not clear to him.

For once, Mr. Hedges, speaking of the direction of the Mayor to the Corporation Counsel to contest the transfer order up to the highest courts, said he would like to see the city's power to do anything in that direction.

"Corporation Counsel Burr might be able to obtain a temporary injunction against the city," he said, "but I am certain that it would be dissolved within a very short time. The rights of the city and the companies have been very clearly established."

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